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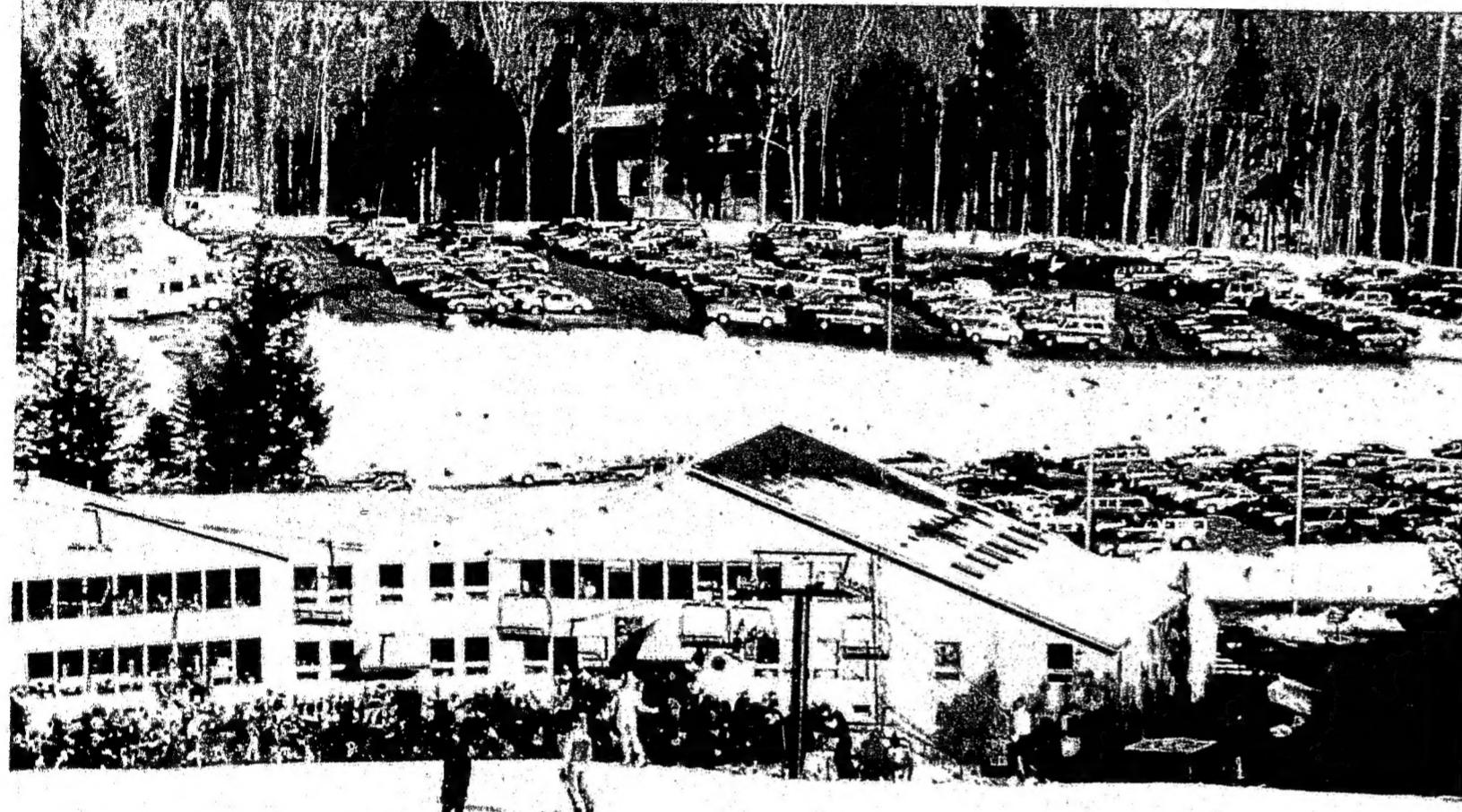
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AS FAR AS THE EYE COULD SEE there were skiers (and skiers' cars) at Sunday River Ski Resort last weekend. Numbers of skiers hit a new single-day record on Saturday—between 6,000 and 6,500--while the weekend total—

over 11,000—was also a new record for a weekend. Mt. Abram also experienced a full house of skiers, while area inns and motels were filled.

Numerous stories on growth topped the news during 1986

Reviewing the major stories published in the pages of The Citizen over the past 12 months, 10 or so stories stand out—particularly those having to do with growth. These stories, cumulatively, rank #1 among the top 10 stories of the year.

One of the very first stories of the year was a survey, by The Citizen, of the area real estate market. The story reported that the market for second homes was booming and there was no end in sight.

The story further reported 166 real estate transfers in Bethel in 1985, compared with just 140 in 1984.

And that was nothing compared to Newry, which recorded 176 real estate transfers in 1985, mostly at the skiway.

The year in review

The cost of real estate was going up even faster than the increase in the numbers of properties sold. Real estate agents told The Citizen average prices had gone up about \$10,000 in two years, on properties of all types, excluding condominiums.

As for the latter, a one-bedroom unit at Sunday River Ski Resort that sold for \$40,000 last year, this year cost \$60,000.

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Abram skiways both have been able to pre-sell everything they build, as has The Bethel Inn in the case of its planned condos.

The growth has scared people, as well as provided jobs for people. On the scar side, house prices are getting to the point where a young family starting out cannot afford to buy a home. And rental costs follow along the same upward path.

Then there is the feeling that things are getting too crowded. While hundreds upon hundreds of condos have gone in at Sunday River Ski Resort, Bethel residents don't concern themselves with the building boom too much until a 50-unit project was proposed for Eden Ridge, overlooking Vernon Street. Though the project was approved, it got a lot of people saying the town needed controls on growth, leading to easy adoption of a Comprehensive Plan and a committee to recommend a land use plan for next year's town meeting.

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Oxford Bank decides it wants W. Paris branch

The Oxford Bank Board of Directors has given its approval to setting up a branch bank in West Paris.

Executive Vice President Ed Dilworth told The Citizen: "The board said, 'Negotiate with him' (Jim Delamater, president of the Bethel Savings Bank), and if you can come to terms with him, he added.

What is being negotiated is the purchase price of the existing bank building, which is owned by the Bethel Savings Bank. The two sides are still far apart, Mr. Dilworth said. But if a settlement can be reached, the Oxford Bank is ready to go ahead and take over the branch, he added.

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If you wish to serve on this committee please contact Rodney Lynch, Town Manager or Merton Brown, Town Clerk, Town Office, Main St., Bethel, or call 824-2669 by January 5, 1987.

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Opinions

Forestry getting a bum rap

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The finding was based on a public opinion poll conducted among 700 households throughout the state. It matters not whether the respondents know a woodlot from a cow pasture or a skidder from a manure spreader, the fact of the matter is perceptions are often more important than reality in formulating public policy.

While the forest industry has done excellent work in bringing legislators to the area to observe forest practices and forest problems, it is obvious that more work is needed. And public relations efforts are clearly called for among the general public that visits the mountains mainly for recreation.

It would be well for local wood-based industry companies, together with the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, to invite statewide media representatives to the area to get a first-hand look at our forests and determine for themselves whether they are overcut. While the Portland Press Herald has devoted extensive coverage to the problems of the state's forests, other media have not.

It might also be possible to make informational brochures available to visiting skiers to show them that a responsible woods industry and a responsible recreation industry are not mutually antagonistic.

It is time to educate those people who think of Maine only in terms of lobsters and recreation.

The year in review

continued from Page One awhile there was talk of a moratorium, on multi-family housing. That finally quieted down and the Planning Board set about drafting a Comprehensive Plan as a precursor to a possible attempt at developing a zoning ordinance.

In Woodstock and Greenwood, people have been awakened to the fact that lakefront land is becoming unaffordable, except by the wealthy, and to the fact that tighter local controls are needed to keep the lakes and ponds safe and clean from human waste.

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THIS WEEK AT THE Moses Mason House

All members and friends are reminded that the annual "So You Think You Know Bethel?" will be the feature of the monthly meeting of the Bethel Historical Society to be held on New Year's Day (Thursday) beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Anyone interested in attending this meeting is cordially invited to do so.

Several books from an anonymous donor have been received this week which may be of interest to genealogists and other researchers in the society's Eva Bean Research Room. These include Gerald D. Foss's *Three Centuries of Freemasonry in New Hampshire* (1772); R.W. Musgrave's *History of the Town of Bristol, New Hampshire*; George W. Chase's *History of Haverhill, Massachusetts*; Thomas Bellows Wyman's *The Genealogies and Estates of Charlestown, Massachusetts*; F. Allen Bur's *The Story of Mount Washington* (1960); and Margaret Wood's *The English Mediaeval House*. These are now available to researchers and much gratitude is expressed to the donor for adding them to the society's ever-growing collection of genealogies, town histories and resource books.

Anyone interested in acquiring William B. Lapham's *The History of Norway, Maine* and William B. Lapham and Silas P. Maxim's *History of Paris, Maine* should call 824-2008 or write the Bethel Historical Society, P.O. Box 12, Bethel, Maine 04217. Copies are now for sale in the society store and may be picked up at during regular hours.

Congratulations are due society honorary member Ralph Hall on receiving Bethel's Boston Post Cane and to Robert and Florence Hastings, life members of the society, on their 60th wedding anniversary this week.

Society President Alden Kennett is now home from the Maine Medical Center and is much improved.

Newest members of the society include Albert Taylor, Cumberland Center; Marvin Faubanks, Bethel; Alfareta M. Mason, Pittsfield, Pa.; Jane Gibson, West Paris; Suzanne S. Bartlett, Bethel; James Lowe, Bethel.

President Kennett has named the society's committees for 1987, as follows:

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many residents were outraged.

This led the boards of selectmen of the five district towns to take the unprecedented step of devising a budget-cutting plan.

At the district budget meeting, in May, a record number of voters showed up (over 700) to soundly defeat the proposed \$4.2 million budget and to adopt the \$400,000 cut proposed by the selectmen of the five towns.

An effort, led by district teachers, to reverse the decision at a second meeting called for that purpose, failed to generate much interest.

The school board then set about trimming \$400,000 from the budget, still leaving a year-to-year increase of around \$200,000. The effect of the cuts, according to school administrators, has been to force them to defer maintenance and repair work, to curtail field trips, to abolish interscholastic sports at the grade school level, and to put off purchases of new textbooks and teaching aids.

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a once-in-150-year story. It was the sesquicentennial celebration of Gould Academy, founded in 1836. While the celebration went on all year, under the theme "Great Teaching," it hit full stride during Alumni Weekend in October, with record numbers of alumni returning to town and a new bell tower being dedicated.

□ The number six story this year was also a milestone. That was the record-breaking pace set by the two local ski areas. Both Sunday River Ski Resort and Mt. Abram Ski Slopes recorded their best years ever. Mt. Abram, which was using snowmaking, for the first time, reported more skiers than ever before.

Sunday River reported its lift ticket sales almost doubled, to 160,000 in the '85-'86 season, from 95,000 the season before. This brought in revenues of \$4 million on the skiing side of the operation alone, not counting real estate sales and rentals.

Both ski areas quickly got started adding more snowmaking. Sunday River's expansion during the summer was pegged at \$12 million, and included new trails, lifts and trailside condominiums.

□ The number seven story of the year was the construction and opening of a greatly expanded Bethel Area Health Center. The new facility, in the remodeled A&P building, will ultimately have a modern emergency room, x-ray unit, and other patient services. A fund-raising drive, which raised over \$100,000, helped pay for the half-million dollar facility.

□ The number eight story was also a sign of growth, and it was a story with a number of different parts. It was a story of business expansion: In Bethel there was the opening of The Bethel Inn's new 250-seat conference center, which immediately began bringing big conferences to town; also in Bethel was the doubling in size of the GAMM II garment factory, which allowed an increase in employment to over 50; in West Paris, the Dragon cement plant received the necessary state permits and began making cement and sending it to job sites throughout the area.

□ The number nine story was another sign of expansion and growth: the approval of a new Woodstock Elementary School. The \$1.5 million project is well underway and should be completed on schedule next summer.

□ Rounding out the top 10 local stories of the year was the story about the U.S. Forest Service management plan for the White Mountain National Forest, released early in the year. While local timber interests had lobbied hard for a greatly

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THE OXFORD COUNTY CITIZEN, BETHEL, MAINE

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SKIERS DELUGE BETHEL AREA
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should be just south of the town, a recent brick addition purchased by the town, Mass., plans to build a donut shop. The shop is made by the town, Christopher, to build a Caggiano monument.

And that meant skiers came from all around, including significant numbers from Vermont, New Hampshire and New York. On Friday and Saturday, Massachusetts skiers seemed to predominate, according to Ms. Gray, while on Sunday, Maine skiers from all over flocked to the local skiways.

The good skiing, and the resultant hordes of skiers, had considerable impact on service facilities in the area.

Bill Riley, who arranges rentals in the Locke Mills/Bryant Pond area, said, "I couldn't put another person in anywhere."

The story was much the same in the Bethel/Newry area. "We're filled," reported Fidelis Taylor, co-owner of the Rostay Motor Inn.

The Kings Inn, in Mason Township, reported a full house, and the condos at Sunday River were filled with owners or renters.

Despite the fact that there are about 3,200 beds available for tourists in the Bethel area, even some of the newly opened establishments were full. The River View Motel reported no rooms available this week, although at the beginning of the weekend they still had some vacancies. Aside from reservations and referrals from the skiway, manager Betsy Doyon said people were also coming in off the road. "They've been skiing and decide to spend the night," she said. Snowmobilers have also found the new motel to their liking, she said.

In town, at the newly opened Hammons House, innkeeper Sally Rollinson said, "I am full. It feels great. I'm delighted." She said her guests include cross-country skiers using the trails at The Bethel Inn.

Another fledgling innkeeper, Dick Fain, the new owner of The Norseman Inn, said, "This is our first big week since we came in. It's nice to see people in here." He reported his inn being "not quite filled up."

Entering just their second season as a bed and breakfast establishment, the Hitchcocks, at The Pointed Fir, on Paradise Road, were pleased by the crowds in town. "We're pretty well booked right up 'til January 5th," said Ed Hitchcock.

As expected, restaurants and stores did a big business. The IGA reported being out of bread. Beer and milk also disappeared quickly from the shelves. In general, business there was up con-



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siderably over the Christmas weekend last year, the manager reported.

At the Red Top Truck Stop, the skiers bought out the large stock of imported beers, while the dining room was filled all weekend and into this week. "I think

it will stay this way all week," said Grace Gibson.

There was only one way to categorize the weekend, and the skiway's Wende Gray did that: "Business is booming!" she exhorted.

Pond ice still dangerous

During the holiday season it's tempting for ice fishermen and snowmobilers to head out onto frozen lakes and ponds. But those doing so this year should exercise great care.

The Maine Warden Service warns that recent rains and a lack of really cold, below-zero weather has left most larger water bodies with treacherous ice conditions.

Although some fishermen are venturing out onto small ponds to fish for pickerel and white perch, they should do so only after testing the ice thickness.

"And don't assume that ice thickness is uniform," warns Warden Lt. Steve Hall, of the Greenville regional headquarters. "Ice may be fairly thick in coves, but out in the middle of larger lakes, including Moosehead, there are still areas of open water."

Even in far northern Maine, where a plane broke through the ice of Eagle Lake last week, ice conditions are treacherous enough that it has not been possible to remove the airplane, although it has been pulled out of the water.

Wardens say parents should be particularly watchful of children riding snowmobiles or all-terrain vehicles during the holiday recess, who might be tempted to drive out onto an inviting expanse of ice coved by snow, which they say may conceal dangerously thin ice.

OHHS student-of-the-month honored by Rotary Club

Lee Fortier was recently named student-of-the-month by the Oxford Hills Rotary Club.

A senior at Oxford Hills High School, Lee is the son of Noreen Hakala and Raymond Fortier, of South Paris.

Lee is a top scholar at Oxford Hills. He has consistently achieved high honor roll grades. As a junior he was named one of the top 550 Maine students to participate in the Maine Scholars Day at the University of Maine. In addition, Lee has been a key member of Oxford Hills' championship Math Team for four years.

Throughout high school Lee has demonstrated remarkable leadership in extracurricular activities. As a senior, Lee is vice-president of Student Council, where he serves as chairman of the calendar committee. In addition, he is currently president of the National Honor Society.

The Oxford Hills Rotary Club student-of-the-month is selected by the faculty of OHHS. Students and teachers may nominate any student. The Oxford Hills

THOUGHTS FROM THE Pastor's Study

The Bethel Area Clergy Association, with the help of pastors of surrounding churches, is endeavoring to bring frequently to you these meditations. Not based on any set theme, they will be individual for each pastor. It is hoped you will find in these words, comfort and help for your daily life.

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was God, and Word was God. He was in the beginning with God; all things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it... And the word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father."

(John 1:1-5,14)

In the New Year, what will you turn to for hope in discouraging moments, for love when you're lonely, for direction when you're confused, or for strength to keep on when you feel too weak to continue?

In the poetic beginning of his gospel, John proclaims an amazing truth: That power or principle which is at the core of all creation is directly involved in our lives, yours and mine. That Something which gives us light in our darkest moments and energy in our lassitude, took human form in Jesus of Nazareth.

That which is the very source of meaningfulness, in these times when we are searching for trustworthy truth, reaches out to us in a real person like ourselves so that we cannot miss the message: You and I matter. We are valuable and worthwhile. We are cared about by the very origin of caring. You and I are loved.

Every time we remember and believe that Jesus came to earth, died for us and still lives among us in love, we are seeing a little of that light which overcomes darkness. Every time we treat another person with love instead of fear or hate or disdain, we are tapping that divine source. John says it much more vividly: "To all who received him... he gave power to become children of God" (1:12).

In the New Year, to what will you turn, on whom will you depend?

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Rotary Club sponsors the award and will host Lee at a breakfast meeting next month.

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OHHS debate team does well in competition

The Oxford Hills High School debate team last weekend did very well in the northeastern debate competition, held in Manchester, Mass.

Competing against 26 of the top debate schools from New England, New York and New Jersey, the Oxford Hills "A" team took second place in the intermediate division, with a 7-1 record. The team consisted of sophomores Jen Gibson, Yvette Young, Lori Allen, and freshman Stephanie Keough. The negative squad of Gibson and Young took first place, with Young capturing the first-place speaker award by scoring 111 points out of a possible 120. There were 106 intermediates competing.

In the Lincoln-Douglas division, freshman Debbie Maxfield, sophomore T.J. Munn and junior Jill Caradonna also were impressive. Both Munn and Caradonna broke into the quarter-finals, with Caradonna the only debater to go undefeated, beating the top two debaters from the prestigious Bronx High School of Science along the way. She debated in the championship round before a full auditorium and placed second, on a split decision, behind a tough competitor from Hendrick Hudson High School, of New York.

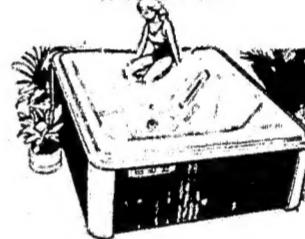
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By VIVA WHITMAN

Writing early this week because of Christmas so I can see the nice sunshine today. Hope it stays good, but I don't like the forecast for tomorrow which is Christmas Day. So many people travel that I dislike it very much when there is bad weather to cause accidents. Some of my family have to travel as well as many others and I guess that is why it bothers me so much. After being in the accident in 1982, I hate to think of folks being hurt as I was.

Got so much to do today I don't know where to start so I thought I had better do this first. I have two little girls under my feet, which makes it harder for an old lady like myself to do all that needs to be done.

I was in Lewiston from Friday until Monday. My son-in-law, Michael, was in the hospital for a few days with kidney stones bothering. The doctors don't think he passed it even though the pain subsided, so he has to go for more tests after Christmas. We are just keeping our fingers crossed, hoping he doesn't have another attack before then. I went down to baby-sit and then the girls came home with me until Christmas. Michael and Wynona are planning to come up tonight and stay overnight so we can see the girls when they see the tree on Christmas morn. I just hope I can get some good pictures of them when they first see the tree.

It will be just my luck to not get the pictures I want, but I shall try. I can still see my children's faces when they first saw the tree on Christmas morning. No presents when they went to bed and then in the morning: surprise, and what a surprised look they had when small like the girls. It is a good time.

The sale at West Paris Grange was a good one. I had gotten a few things done to sell and had pretty good luck. It was a cold day and not too warm in the dining hall where the sale was. The swinging doors let in the cold and the wood stoves had a job to keep it warm. We had a good time and most of us came away with something we had bought from someone else. What food they had was sold even though there wasn't as much as they had had before. The girls in charge said they did pretty good and every little bit helps to pay off the debt left on the chair lift.

Russell and I attended Franklin Grange Monday night for the Christmas party and we had a good time. There was a good program and gifts were exchanged.

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ed. There was plenty of food for those who could eat the goodies brought by all.

I have sewed and did all I could this past week. Russell and I went down to West Paris Grange meeting on Thursday, Dec. 18, and had trouble getting home. It was snowing when we left and even though there hadn't been a big snowfall when Grange was over, the big hill out of West Paris was slippery. We got up around the curve but Russell had to shift gears and that was the end. The truck started spinning and we made pretty marks in the snow going sideways, so we decided to turn around and go back down Rt. 26 and home by way of South Paris. Made it alright that way but were a little later getting home than we had planned. One thing I don't want to forget

to mention was the quilt raffle. The winning ticket wasn't drawn as some of the folks hadn't brought back their tickets that they had sold. I was told it would be drawn in the near future when they get all the tickets together to make it fair for everyone.

While in Lewiston this weekend, I went to the store to get something I needed and what a mob. It is hard to believe the people that were out shopping. I heard some say that they hadn't done any shopping for Christmas and I wondered how they were to get it done and everything ready. Guess I am slow, as I like to start early and get it done. I haven't quite accomplished what I wanted to as I still have buttons and button holes to put on

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By OLIVE DAVIS

We have a new baby in our midst, Mr. and Mrs. James Miclon are receiving congratulations on the birth of a baby girl who weighed 8 lbs. 4 oz. She was born Dec. 17 at St. Mary's Hospital and was named Ashley Marie. They returned home Sunday.

Esther Davis took me to see the doctor in Lewiston, Thursday.

Thursday night Carl and Lettie Brooks took me to West Paris for the supper put on by the Grange. A Christmas party followed the supper. The Chapel Valley nursing home patients were invited. The chairlift that West Paris Grange has had installed in their hall was put to work and was quite a comfort to those who can't climb stairs.

David Clements arrived home this week for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Clements and Eric. He has been in the Antarctic for several years.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Andrews, Bridgton, called on me Saturday afternoon. Arthur did several jobs around here which were a big help to me.

Everyone is tearing around trying to deliver their gifts before Christmas. I had a cute loaf of bread delivered to me from the Woodstock SDA Church Forestdale School, which I had appreciated very much. It was very thoughtful of them.

Danny Miclon is home from California for the holidays. Michael and friend and Danny called on Mrs. Kristene Miclon and helped her with some work on Monday.

I was in to Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Hathaway's and saw the beautiful water color picture Joyce was doing. She sells them if anyone wants them so here is your chance to decorate your walls.

Many birds and grey squirrels are busy at the feed station now that the weather is cold. We can't forget our feathered friends. The chick-a-dees are coming in now for food.

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By MARJORIE JODREY

George Morton, Sr., of North Rumford, returned home on Wednesday, Dec. 17, after being a surgical patient at St. Mary's Hospital in Lewiston.

Joseph McGuire also returned to his home in North Rumford from Maine Medical Center in Portland on Dec. 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Thurston and sons, Danny, Jon and Kurt, entertained Dec. 20 a pre-Christmas family supper and birthday party for Walter Jodrey. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Mark Thurston and children, Amy, Jeff, and Karen, Mrs. Mary Thurston, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jodrey, all of Andover; Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Thurston and children, Rodney and Suzanne, of Arundel; Ralph Thurston, Rumford Point; Jean Tozier, Mexico; and Joshua Messier of Canterbury, N.H.

Larry, Chesley and Matthew White of Phoenix, Ariz., are visiting over the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald White and family, of South Andover.

Mrs. Rex Thurston and Mrs. Walter Jodrey went to Canterbury, N.H., on Sunday to take Joshua Messier home after he has spent two weeks visiting at the Thurstons.

On Monday, Dec. 22, the Telstar Regional High School band entertained at Andover Elementary School with a concert of Christmas carols which was enjoyed by all.

A very lively and exciting basketball game by the Red/Green teams of the elementary school was held Monday night at the gym. Mr. Sabin's Red team won 34-26. The schedule for the coming basketball season is set at: Dec. 22, Red/Green scrimmage at AES at 3 p.m.; Jan. 20, Woodstock Elementary School at AES at 6:30; Feb. 3, AES at WES at 3 p.m.; Feb. 10, AES at TMS at 3 p.m.; Feb. 25, Red/Green scrimmage at 6:30 p.m.; March 13, Parents/Team game at 6:30 p.m.; April 3, Sports banquet at AES at 6 p.m.

Mrs. Harold Peaslee of Yelm, Wash., and daughter, Mrs. George Seigerman of Houston, Tex., arrived Wednesday to spend a few days over the holidays with Mrs. Pearl Peaslee and Greg. They will be returning home on Dec. 30 and Jan. 1.

Amos Campbell of Lewiston visited his sisters, Mrs. Floyd Emerson and Mrs. Walter Jodrey and friends Mr. and Mrs. Colby Roberts on Wednesday, Dec. 24.

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On Christmas Eve after church services Mrs. Gertrude Percival entertained at a buffet supper members of her family Miss Pam Percival, Mrs. Bill Smith, Penny and Kris Percival of Deerfield, Mass., David Percival, Mr. and Mrs. John Percival and children, Stephanie, Jennifer and Angela and Joel Putnam.

The Misses Penny and Kris Percival of Deerfield, Mass., are spending the holidays with their father, David Percival.

Dinner guests on Christmas Day are Mrs. Pearl Peaslee and Greg; Mr. and Mrs. Gary Whitney and son, Charles, of South Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Davis of Rumford; Lloyd Davis of Hewitt City, Conn.; Wayne Davis, great-grandson of Kenton, Wash.; Mrs. Harold Peaslee of Yelm, Wash.; Mrs. George Siegeman of Houston, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. Silas Peaslee and Charlotte of Yarmouth; Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Hutchins and children, Paul and Marsha. Callers during the day were Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Guild of Auburn; Mrs. Ileen Guild of Litchfield; William Drinkwater of Livermore, and Foster Davis of East Andover.

Miss Tracy Emerson of Biddeford spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Emerson Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. William B. Smith Jr. have received word of the birth of their second grandson born in Asheville, N.C., on Nov. 19 to Mr. and Mrs. John Putnam. He weighed in at 8 lbs. and has been named John Aaron.

Joel Putnam of Los Angeles, Calif., is visiting his mother, Mr. and Mrs. William Smith, in North Andover for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester White entertained for Christmas dinner: Mr. and Mrs. David White, Barbara and Joanne Mosher and Mrs. Betsy Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Farrington, Mrs. Foster Davis and daughters, Amanda and Erica. Coming for dessert were Mr. and Mrs. Mark Farrington and Lindsey, Mrs. Wayne Morton and children, Karen and Kevin, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Farrington and on Dec. 28 Mr. and Mrs. White had as dinner guests, Mr. and Mrs. David White and Mr. and Mrs. Danny White and children, Danny, Bobbi Cory, and Denny.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Farrington entertained their children for supper on Dec. 26; Mr. and Mrs. Scott Farrington, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Farrington and Linda.

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The main goal for 1987 is to be in the new rescue building at Trap Corner. The auxiliary is looking forward to doing the ambulance laundry right in the building. Tri-Town also is evaluating the condition of the older ambulance, to determine the best time to replace it.

Tri-Town wishes everyone a very good 1987. May your New Year's resolutions all come true.

Safety Tip of the Week

New Year's Day is a time to reflect on the year that has just ended and improve those things in our lives we might want to change. In contemplating on the coming year, be realistic in the setting of any resolutions.

For example, resolutions to lose weight can be devastating if an appropriate weight loss program is not followed.

Likewise, a desire to exercise can be fatal if not approved by a doctor. Without the proper warm-ups, muscles can be pulled, leading to great discomfort—not the desired improved health. A bad heart will be aggravated by an aggressive exercise program.

say, Mr. and Mrs. Foster Davis and daughters, Amanda and Erica.

E/4 Timothy Hall of Fort Campbell, Ky., is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hall, South Andover. Mrs. Edred Tucker of the nursing home in Canton, spent Christmas day with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hall.

At the First Congregational Church on Dec. 21, Rev. Marriotte Churchill had as her sermon topic, "God's Inexhaustible Originality." At 11 a.m. a fellowship coffee in the Christian Education Building. At 5:30 p.m. Christmas caroling by all of the Youth Group followed by fun and refreshments at Mrs. Harvey Fisher's. Christmas service was held on Dec. 24.

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THE SHOEMAKER AND THE ELVES was presented by Mrs. Loper's 3rd-graders to the student body at Agnes Gray School last week. The story tells of how a band of elves help a shoemaker and his wife to make lots of shoes and lots of money. The shoemaker and his wife return the kindness by making new clothes and shoes for the elves. Mr. Barker, the music teacher, directed, while Mrs. Small and Mrs. Gilpatrick made the costumes. The cast included: standing, Katie Walton, Erin Small and Liberty Woodworth; kneeling, Heather Lynn Edwards, Darcie Marie Robert-son, Jodi Allen Gilpatrick and Charlie Billings.

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The Citizen's prime time TV guide

THURSDAY EVENING JANUARY 1, 1987

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(4) Chronicle	Ark	Thailand	China	Five Bells	Island Wildlife	World	10 Bottles			
(5) Hardcastle	Daktar		700 Club		Bill Curry	Hardcastle				
(6) Rose Bowl: MI vs. AZ St.	Orange Bowl: Oklahoma vs. Arkansas				News	Carson				
(8) ABC News News	Our World	Colbys		20/20		News	Nightline			
(10) MacNeil-Lehrer	Malinwatch	Exit 13	Kid-Wise	Page 10	From Vienna/New Years 1987	Al Jarreau				
(11) Mummers Parade Cont'd	Call to Glory	Regis Philbin's Lifestyles	Dr. Ruth Show		Sprintime/Rock					
(12) Be a Star	Fandango	Nashville Now	New City	Crook	Videocntry	Be a Star	Fandango			
(13) Fortune Jeopardy	Brown	Simon & Simon	D. Women	Knots Landing	News	Night Heat				
(16C) Jeffersons INN News	Movie: "Foul Play"				INN News	Odd Couple	H'moone			
(18E) Movie: "Lost Horizon"	Movie: "... and Justice for All!"				Movie: "Heaven Help Us"					
(20G) Major League Baseball: Boston at Toronto					Fishing	Hockey	Racing			
(21H) SportsCen Speedweek	Bodybuilding: Women's National Championship			Kickboxing		Auto Race	SportsCen			
(22I) A. Griffith Sanford	H'moone	Movie: "The Three Stooges in Orbit"		Movie: "The Silencers"						
(24K) Can't/TV D'mouse	D. Reed	Mister Ed	My 3 Sons	Sothorn	I Spy	Route 66				
(26M) Riptide	Riptide	"The Compleat Beatles"	Airwolf		Alfred Hitchcock Hour					
(27N) Tenko	Die Fledermaus				Hot Shoe					
(29P) Movie: "Murrow" Cont'd	Movie: "Jewel of the Nile"				Movie: "Spies Like Us"					
(31R) Natty Gans	Walt Disney Presents	Movie: "Tramp at the Door"	Animals	Ozzie	Bishop's					
(32S) \$100,000 Entertain. News	Million	Movie: "Teahouse of the August Moon"			P. Woman					
(34U) To Catch a Thief	Movie: "Affair to Remember"				News	Indiscreet				

FRIDAY EVENING JANUARY 2, 1987

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(4) Vanished Dorset	Sharkman		A Feeling for France	Horizon		Perspective	Spirits			
(5) Hardcastle	To Be Announced	700 Club			Bill Cosby	Hardcastle				
(6) Magnum, P.I.	Sunkist Fiesta Bowl: Miami vs. Penn State				News	Carson				
(8) Newlywed Dating	Webster Belvedere	Dads	Gung Ho	Starman	News	Nightline				
(10) MacNeil-Lehrer	Washington Wall St.	Great Performances	Great Performances	Notebook	Bounder					
(11) Marcus Welby, M.D.	Call to Glory	Regis Philbin's Lifestyles	Dr. Ruth Show	"Time for Miracles"						
(12) Be a Star	Fandango	Nashville Now	New City	Crook	Videocntry	Be a Star	Fandango			
(13) Fortune Jeopardy	Scarecro/King	Dallas	Falcon Crest	News	Am Wrif					
(16C) Jeffersons INN News	Movie: "Breaking Away"		INN News	News	Odd Couple	H'moone				
(18E) American Flyers	Movie: "Sluggers Wife"			Movie: "Commando"		Chalterly II				
(20G) Stanley C. Major League Baseball: Boston at Kansas City		Raceweek	Candlepin Bowling	Baseball						
(21H) SportsCen Championship Wrestling	Helsman	Top Rank Boxing from Reseda, California		College Basketball						
(22I) A. Griffith Sanford	H'moone	NBA: Atlanta Hawks at Washington Bullets	Sanford	Night Tracks Power Play						
(24K) Can't/TV D'mouse	D. Reed	Mister Ed	My 3 Sons	Sothorn	I Spy	Route 66				
(26M) Riptide	Sanchez	Check It	Robert Klein Time	Airwolf	Night Flight					
(27N) 18th Century Woman	Movie: "Just You and Me"		Shortstories	I Am the Blues						
(29P) Inside the NFL	Movie: "Gremlins"		Movie: "Troll"		1st & Ten					
(31R) Gul. Travels Zorro	Five Mile Creek	Movie: "North Avenue Irregulars"	Ozzie	Fair Lady						
(32S) \$100,000 Entertain. News	Yr. Review	Movie: "The Devil at 4 O'clock"		P. Woman						
(34U) B. Miller Benson	Movie: "Cabaret"		News		Magnum					

SATURDAY EVENING JANUARY 3, 1987

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(4) Cresta Run	Alcatraz	World About Us	Work Amer.	This Land	Vanished Dorset					
(5) Campbells Butterfly	Movie: "This Is the Army"			Hardcastle	John Ankerberg					
(6) The Hits Songs	Facts/Life 227	Golden G. Amen	Hunter	News	Main Event					
(8) Star Search	Slidekicks Sledge H.	Heart of the City	Spenser: For Hire		Throb					
(10) Exit 13	Obstacle C. Wonderworks	Dr. Who	Sandbaggers	R. Perrin	Mobster					
(11) Movie: "Snapshot"		Regis Philbin's Lifestyles	Dr. Ruth Show	Couples						
(12) Country Notes	Ole Opry Church St.	Tommy Hunter Show	Notes	Kitchen	Country Clips					
(13) Fortune It's a Living Outlaws		Movie: "Kiss Me Goodbye"		News	Terror					
(16C) Darkside At Movies	Movie: "Marnie"		INN News	"Midnight Offerings"						
(18E) Operation Pacific	Movie: "Missing In Action II: The Beginning"		Movie: "Annihilators"		Used Cars					
(20G) College Football: Boston College at Temple		College Basketball: Florida at Georgia								
(21H) College Basketball: Maryland at N.C. State		College Basketball: Duke at Virginia	NFL Great	Sports						
(22I) Championship Wrestling	Movie: "The Searchers"		Sanford	Chartbusters						
(24K) Can't/TV D'mouse	D. Reed	Mister Ed	"The Secret Weapon"	Movie: "Terror by Night"	Route 66					
(26M) Riptide	Movie: "Shock Chamber"		Hitchcock	Hitchcock	Night Flight					
(27N) A Gershwin Portrait	Movie: "Dark Journey"	J. Logan	Aristocrats	Bl. Adder	Signature					
(29P) Movie: "Spies Like Us"	Movie: "Black Moon Rising"		On Location: S. Wright	"The Mean Season"						
(31R) Movie: "The Black Hole"	Movie: "How to be Very, Very Popular"		The Blue and the Gray							
(32S) Mama	NBA Basketball: New York Knicks at Atlanta Hawks		News	House Calls	WWF Wrestling Spotlight					
(34U) Country At Movies	College Basketball: DePaul at Dayton		News		Songs Lifestyles					

SUNDAY EVENING JANUARY 4, 1987

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(4) This Land Spirits	Animal	Animals	Mingan Islands	Battle for the Bulge	Unofficial Famine					
(5) Questil Polka Dot Kid		In Touch	Ben Haden	Rock Alive	Ed Young					
(6) Our House Valerie	Easy Street	Movie: "First Blood"			News	Sports				
(8) Disney Sunday Movie		Movie: "All of Me"			Dempsey					
(10) Great Railway Journeys Nature		Masterpiece Theatre	Six Wives of Henry VIII	R. Perrin						
(11) A.M.A. Video Clinic P.J.U. Update		Cardiology Medicine	OB / GYN	Medicine	Surgery	Cardiology				
(12) American Sports Cavalcade Were Here MotoWorld	Heroes	Perform.	BASSmst.	Championship Rodeo						
(13) 60 Minutes Murder, She Wrote		Movie: "At Mother's Request"		Rock News						
(16C) Movie: "Badlands"	Rich & Famous	Love Boat	INN News	TBA	Odd Couple	Honey'm				
(18E) Movie: "The Aviator"	Movie: "Jewel of the Nile"		Cinemax Sessions	Movie: "The Split"						
(20G) Stanley Cup Highlights	Major League Baseball: Boston at California		WWF Wrestling	Outdoors						
(21H) SportsCen Ski World	AWA Wrestling		America's Cup		SportsCenter					
(22I) Championship Wrestling	National Geographic Explorer		Sports	Jerry Falwell		Ankerberg				
(24K) Smothers My 3 Sons D. Reed	Mister Ed	Movie: "Nicholas Nickleby"		Smothers	Monkees					
(26M) Virginian	Wanted	Jewel in the Crown	Cover Story	Hollywood	Herbifile	Success				
(27N) Living Dangerously	Amanda's Minister	Indigo								

At Andover . . .

Elderwood Manor Items

by Florence Hall
Donald O'Leary, Mexico, visited his aunt, Ann Fox, on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Delano and girls had Christmas dinner at Mr. and Mrs. Norman Whites.

Charlotte Hayes, Thomaston, visited her mother, Elizabeth Sennett, Christmas Day. It was Mrs. Sennett's birthday, so two births were celebrated.

Florence Hall had Christmas dinner at Roxbury, with nephew Louis Hall and family.

Louise Elliott called on Dorothy Elliott on Wednesday.

Mark Thurston and family spent time with Bernice Glover on Christmas Day.

Dorothy Elliott visited with her nephew, Bob Elliott and family recently.

Gertrude Hutchins had supper Christmas Eve at her son Robert Hutchins and family, Christmas Day they enjoyed gift-giving together.

Stanley Fox, Bethel, and his mother, Ann Fox, enjoyed the church service together on Christmas Eve.

Flora Whitten's granddaughter, Lynne Marshall, visited her overnight Christmas Eve.

Bus riders Wednesday were Bernice Glover, Elizabeth Sennett and Dorothy Elliott.

Catherine McGuire went to Strong to spend Christmas weekend with daughter, Gloria, and family.

Thought for the Day

It's hard to stay unhappy if you've found someone whose day you can brighten.

Calvary Congregational Church

Last Sunday the choir presented a cantata entitled "God's Love Gift." Much work went into this and it was well presented. Pastor Grover read a poem, "Our Life."

Sunday evening at 6:00, our Christmas program. Everyone welcomed by Pastor Grover with Judy Bailey on the piano. Marilyn Morton and Barbara Bailey sang "Mary's Little Boy Child." Marilyn added to the program by playing the piano as well.

Puppet show, "The First Christmas Gift." Nursery, "Jingle Bells"; play, "Jesus, the Light of the World." Lorena Simmons read a poem, "Suppose." Presents and trees followed.

Jan. 10: Men's breakfast at South Andover.

Jan. 14: Quarterly business meeting, voting on new trustee.

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THE ADDITION OF MORE CHAIRLIFTS and more trails during the off-season meant no lift lines at Sunday River, even with the record-breaking turnout last weekend.

SENIOR CITIZEN MENUS

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West Bethel

By HARRIETT STOWELL

Rosemary Stowell of Woburn, Mass., spent Christmas with her parents, George and Harriett Stowell.

Colleen Boyd and her mother, Frances Bennett, spent the holiday in Brewer as guests of Craig and Janis Boyd and children, Chelsea and Sam.

Scott Korhonen has returned from college in Vermont, and will be transferring to the University of Maine at Orono at the start of the next semester.

Lillian Lovejoy is improving at Stephens Memorial Hospital after undergoing hip surgery on Dec. 23.

Cleveland and Kathryn Lovejoy were hosts at a family Christmas dinner attended by 12 relatives.

East Stoneham

By GLADYS KILGORE

The carolers were around to different homes Saturday night. They all sang beautifully.

My niece, Mrs. Barbara Millett, called on me Sunday. She was on her way to visit her mother in Lovell.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Grant, Mrs. Grace Nelson and myself went to the Senior Citizen dinner at the Chef's Table Sunday.

Mrs. Eleanor Nelson and Mrs. Frances Grant went to Lewiston shopping Saturday.

The Garvi place on Butters Hill has been sold to a Mrs. Lois Martin of



QUITE MIRACULOUSLY, the driver and passenger of this car were not seriously injured when it was rear-ended by a truck and knocked into a roadside ditch on Rte. 26 at Trap Corner last week. Driver David Baker, 24, of Norway, and his passenger, Stewart Buck, 25, of South Paris, were treated at Stephens Memorial Hospital for contusions and muscular strains and released.

Connecticut.

Mrs. Eddie Millett is working at the new store and filling station at North Waterford.

There was a large attendance at the candlelight service at the church Wednesday evening. Danny Barker had charge of the service.

Mrs. Grace Nelson went to Bethel Monday to have her new puppy looked over

by Dr. Hudson, veterinarian. Shirley Grant visited her brother Bob and wife over Christmas.

Rotary Club notes

The Bethel Rotary club held its regular breakfast meeting at Martha's Restaurant last Tuesday. Visiting Rotarians and guests were Frank Davis and Bob Bub, Rockland club; Fred Collins, Oxford Hills club, and Bob and Dodie Greaney, Spain and Andover.

The latter couple spoke on the upcoming student exchange project, which will bring Spanish youngsters to the Bethel area next summer. The Greaneys have been working hard with Spanish officials and the airlines to make the project a success.

Bruce Powell handled the weekly raffle, with the winner being visiting Rotarian Fred Collins, of Oxford Hills.

The last of Rotary's Christmas season projects was Dec. 23 and involved packing food baskets for needy families in SAD #4. Rotarians Rollie Glines, George Noll, Roger Conant, Jim Monahan and John Head headed up the project, with assistance from others. The school bus drivers took care of delivering the baskets to families on their regular routes.

In addition to the food purchased by Rotary, other organizations provided items to help fill the baskets. Those organizations were the Andover and Woodstock school communities, the West

Bryant Pond

By ALICE HOYT

Kaye Glines, Danbury, N.H., visited her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Ring, a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ring, Freeport, visited his parents over the weekend.

Woodstock Senior Citizens will meet on Thursday, Jan. 8, with a potluck dinner. Each one is to be something for the dinner, their own plate and silverware provided.

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The Sunday School and Awana Christmas tree and program was held on Monday night with a very good attendance.

Mrs. Ruth Dunham visited her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Roland McMillan, Rumford, over the weekend.

Parish Congregational Church, the Methodist Church, Our Lady of the Snows Church, the Newry Community Church, the West Bethel Church and the Locke Mills Church.

Although the Christmas baskets are all distributed, there is still a need for clothing, and the Bethel Rotary clothing drive is still underway. John Todd encouraged Rotarians, and others, to leave

Reception for graduates of Oxford Hills H.S.

The Oxford Hills High School Guidance Department invites all Oxford Hills graduates who are presently enrolled in college to a reception in the high school library on Jan. 8, at 2:15 p.m.

This will be an opportunity for students to connect with former classmates and members of the Oxford Hills High School faculty. Refreshments will be served.

SIEGEL TAKES SECOND IN BRETON WOODS BIATHLON

Gould Academy's Kirk Siegel took second place of 29 competitors, in the Bretton Woods Biathlon Series 10-K open race Dec. 20, in Bretton Woods, N.H.

Mr. Siegel's time of 36 minutes and 17 seconds over the course was just a minute and a half off the 34:41 pace set by the winner, David Wilhite, of Hanover, N.H.

Also finishing very well was Bethel's Ben Michaud, who came in fifth, with a time of 41:27.

any clothing items in his garage for distribution to the needy. There is a large container for the clothes.



The Unicorn Flower Shop & Greenhouses
Bridge Street, Bethel

Shear Designs
by Julie
Locke Mills

Our good wishes for you will sparkle all the year.

Sun Up Tanning Cellar
Rt 2, Bethel

Wishing you peace, love and happiness throughout the New Year.

Bethel Cablevision
In the Bethel Mall

We hope the channel for your New Year has lots of health and happiness in your picture.

Charlie's Place
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Bethel

May good fortune reign throughout the New Year.

Crolene Drapery
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The Best of Days, the best of years are just ahead. Good Luck!

A New Year

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

Bob's Corner Store

Locke Mills

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Happy Holiday

We look to the New Year with confidence and hope to serve our friends often and well.

Beginning a New Year

Please call or visit whenever we can be of service in any way.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

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Happy New Year

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YOUNG VOICES

The young authors involved in the "Bread Loaf in the Schools" writing grant program send you best wishes for a joyous holiday season.

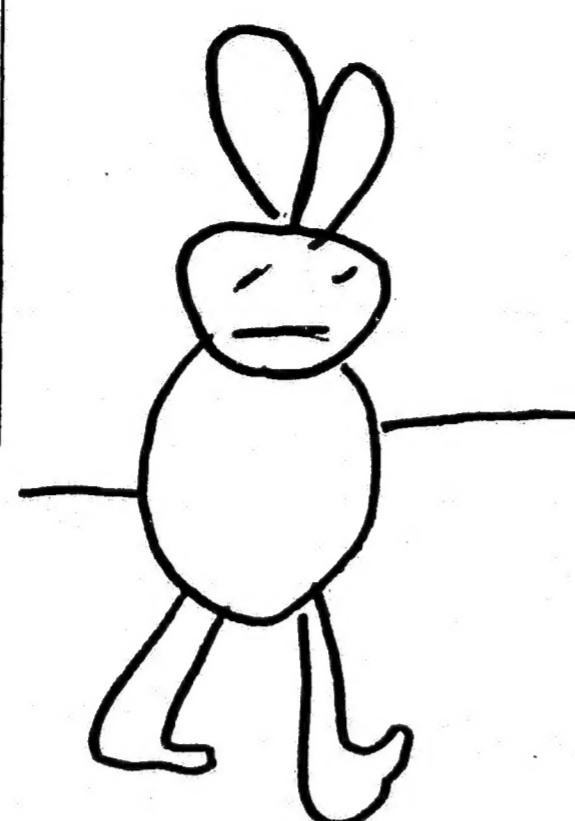
They hope you will feel free to respond directly to their writing by sending your responses to the author, by grade level, care of: Crescent Park School, Bethel, Me. 04217.

This page of Bethel students' writings is paid for by proceeds from the "Bread Loaf in the Schools" writing grant.

THE FOX AND THE RABBIT

Once upon a time there was a fox. It dared a rabbit to jump and knock a toy jet out of the tree. He did it. A hundred bees flew out. So the rabbit went and told the king. The king said, "Whoever finds Sly Daddy Fox will get one hundred dollars." The tailor got him and got the one hundred dollars.

by Brian Inman
Grade 2
Ethel Bisbee School



ADVENTURES WITH DARBY HICKEY

WARNING: DON'T LET KIDS READ THIS BOOK

It all began one afternoon playing a game of kickball. I kicked the ball and ran to first base. Then I fell in first base. I went down and down and then I landed on the ground. I was in a strange place. THUPI! An arrow shot the wall. I ran down the hall. I ran into a desert. I was in a suit of brown. I saw a bird-type creature. We fought and fought and then I won the battle.

I walked and walked through a dark cave. Then I saw a strange sight. It was a golden head. I went to grab it, but I fell. I landed in a strange place somewhere. I could hear some kids playing kickball. I walked through the forest. Then I saw the playground. I ran to play kickball. My foot went through the ball and all the kids turned into lizard creatures. I then ran into the woods and into the city.

by Darby Hickey
Grade 2
Ethel Bisbee School

NATURE AND WILDLIFE

I love nature and wildlife. The moose is eating the green grass. The birds are flying south. The bear is eating because he is going to sleep for the winter. In spring he will wake up.

The squirrel is collecting nuts. He does that because he doesn't hibernate. He digs a hole in the ground. He stays there all winter.

Some animals that stay up in winter are: squirrels, deer, coy dogs and mountain goats.

The coy dog is chasing the rabbit. The snow came today. It is hard for the deer to get food.

This is a beaver's den. In winter it looks like a hill. The bears are going to sleep.

by Freeman Corriveau
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NOT ENOUGH LOVE

You used to have it,
But now it's gone.

You didn't want it,
And so you left it,
But now you miss it.

If you'd loved it more,
It would still be with you.
But you didn't want it,
And it knew it,
So now it's gone.

by Bridget Remington
Grade 7
Middle School

MY PETS

I have one dog and one cat. My dog is named Sport and my cat is named Tiger. My dog is a beagle and my cat is half-Siamese. I don't know what the other half is, but the best part is they are both my pets.

Sport sometimes eats Tiger's food. It is funny when he does it. My brother shut the door on Tiger's tail. That's why it looks funny.

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THE ADVENTURES IN CRESTLAND

It was a calm day in Crestland, when all of a sudden the alarm went off. The decay fighters! Call out the toothbrush fighters! Bring out the Crest cruisers! They went on for days. Then finally Luke Toothbrush Brusher saw Han Toothbrush Brusher in trouble. He was surrounded by decay and out of toothpaste, so Luke came to the rescue with his super Crest cruiser and blew them all away.

Han said, "Thanks to you I didn't lose my bristles."

They finally ended the battle. That night they had a big party, with fluoride and everything. The next few days were very calm. Luke decided to take a cruise with Princess Lea Toothbrush Brusher. So he hopped in his super Crest cruiser and went over to her house. She was outside having a glass of fluoride.

Luke said, "Do you want to go take a cruise around the Toothpaste Way?"

She said, "OK."

So they took a long cruise around the Toothpaste Way. You know why. Well, when they got back the alarm went off again.

by Joshua Paquette
Grade 5
Crescent Park School

FIRST SNOW

It was three days after the first day of winter. The youngest boy of the McSmiths, now four (almost five), was disappointed when he woke up to find the ground still brown and hard. No snow. It was also a disappointment to his mother, partly for her young child, who so anxiously waited to experience snow, and partly so she wouldn't have to hear these same old boring lines: "When is it going to snow, Mommy? Why hasn't it snowed yet, Mommy?" She wanted it to snow for her son, who had been asking about it ever since June when they moved to Rochester, New York. His two older brothers, who were in high school, had been telling him all about the wonderful things you can do with snow and by now the young boy pictured snow to be more like clouds than anything else.

That night, while he brushed his teeth and got into his pajamas, he told his mother a detailed story about him and his dog. He woke up several times during the night, at 8:30, at 10:12 and a last time near midnight. When he woke, a bright red glowing came into view. It was his alarm clock glowing in the black night. All he could hear was its constant ticking. He tried to go back to sleep for what seemed to be an hour, but even after counting 29 snowflakes (instead of sheep) he couldn't go to sleep. As a last resort he turned on his night light and felt around for his Transformer flashlight. He turned it on and slowly shone it around the room, carefully studying every object in the room. His toys looked the same, but asleep. Everything seemed to be hesitating to awaken because he was looking at them.

He had a feeling something very special was going on that he didn't know about. Something important was happening. He twirled the flashlight around in his hand and when it hit the window he stopped. A speck of white caught his eye. He automatically jumped out of bed. After running down the stairs, he pulled on his boots, grabbed his coat, and hurried out the door. At once he sank into the powdery white ground. He rolled around and threw "IT" into the air. The full moon shone down onto the bright glowing ground. The light bounced off "IT" onto the trees. It had finally snowed.

by Solai Buchanan
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Middle School

MY VERY OWN PLACE

It was about noontime. The sun was at its highest point. It shone on the lake as if it were going to take a dive. The birds were chirping, the flowers stood still, content with the rain from the night before. It was a beautiful sight, so peaceful and quiet. There were trees at one end of the lake and a nice sandy beach at the other. It was in a forest. At one time people were there every day. Now it is still and bare: no people at the snack shop, where there used to be crowds of them; no playful children on the beach, just a fawn and her mother, drinking water from the lake. It was deserted, but the animals loved it. They gathered there often, to drink water from the lake, to nibble on a leaf, or just to chatter.

Suddenly a girl entered from a trail in the woods. Her name was Aimee. She had with her a small, golden puppy, which she had just gotten. She also came there often. Even though it was calm and deserted, to her it was magical and full of liveliness. As Aimee lay down on the grass, her puppy beside her, she looked at the sun, squinting. It was summertime and the sun was very bright. She watched a rabbit hop from one end of the lake to another and into the forest. She was aware of all the natural sights around her. She also was aware of how lucky she was to be able to see them.

With one arm around her puppy, who was beginning to fall asleep, and the other hand holding a book, she began to read. After awhile she put down the book, glanced at the sleeping puppy, and began to doze off. She was off in dreamland, having a wonderful dream, when she woke up suddenly and heard her mother calling from her house, not far away. She stood up, picked up her puppy and her book, and began to walk away.

When she came to the beginning of the trail, she turned around and glanced at the sight. She was happy to know that that was her very own place, where she could go whenever she felt like it. She put her puppy down, put the leash on it, and ran the rest of the way home, smiling and laughing.

by Melanie Arsenault
Grade 7
Middle School

THE ADVENTURES OF WOOBIE WOOBIE

One morning at Jackson Laboratory, off the coast of Bar Harbor, I, Tom Small, a doctor, was trying to invent a vaccine to prevent gum disease, when suddenly the formula started bubbling. A green ball popped out. As soon as it hit the hard floor, it transformed into a little furry creature. All the creature could say was, "Woobie, woobie."

I reached down to pick it up and it shot a green liquid into my hand. It started to burn. I lifted my hand and wiped what appeared to be acid off my hand. As I did this, the cute little creature took off. I had left the window open just a crack, so the creature jumped out.

I chased him out and scooped him up in my hand and dropped him into a box. That night I decided the cute little creature had to go.

The next morning, I boarded a bus to Bethel, Maine, with the box that had that creature in it. Only one thing was on my mind as the bus stopped on the top of Main Street. That was that I had failed to make the vaccine. That thought drifted from my mind as I walked down Main Street. As I walked, another thought entered my mind. I had to find my friend's house. I knew it was on lower Main Street, but I didn't know which house he was in. I stopped at the Gulf station and asked for directions to the Chamberlin's. He said it was a red house down the street by Martha's. When I arrived, Zach was outside.

"Hi, Dr. Small," he said.
"I have something to give you," I said. "Here."

I gave it to him and ran off.

Now, 15 years later, I hear that they lived happily ever after.

by Zachery Chamberlin
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THE OUTER SPACE GIANT

One day a spaceship landed in front of my house. Then a big door opened, and a GIANT man walked out. It was a purple, green, orange, pink and yellow man. I stood in the doorway with my mouth wide open.

The big, huge giant walked toward me. I ran to my mom, slamming the door behind me. When my mom heard about the giant she said, "I don't believe one solitary word you said."

So my mom went outside, but when she looked, the man had gone back home. When I looked on the grass I saw a note right where the spaceship was. I read the note and it told me where he lived. So the next day I went to visit him. When I got there he said he wanted me to be his friend, so I was.

by Mary Jo Reed
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Crescent Park School

THE LION

The Lion said, with a very loud roar, "I am the King of the jungle." And then he roared out and said, "I am a nice lion!"

So I took him home. And the lion said, "Thank you."

by Jon
Kindergarten
Crescent Park School

UNCLE CRAIG

This is my uncle, Uncle Craig. And he drives an airplane. Sometimes he picks on me. He likes flying. I would like to fly one day in his airplane. I bet I would like it! I bet my uncle likes it, too.

by Sarah
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